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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS JO US
SUBJECT: TRACKED ARTY FOR JORDAN UNDER FY 75 GA PROGRAM

REF: ISA 2718 (DTG 222344Z DEC 75 S/SPECAT)

1. SINCE FUNDING OF FY 75 GA PROGRAM IN JUNE 75, DOD HAS BEEN STAFFING TRANSFER OF TRACKED ARTY TO JORDAN UNDER CONDITIONS DECIDED AT JMC MEETING IN APRIL WHICH FORECASTED DELIVERY THREE MONTHS AFTER FUNDING. SINCE THAT TIME INNUMERABLE PROBLEMS HAVE DELAYED IMPLEMENTATION OF YOUR DECISION.

2. LATEST INFO FROM ISA STATED EQUIP HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED, BUT BECAUSE SOME ITEMS WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM NAT GUARD UNITS, A SEPARATE OSD DECISION MUST BE MADE. THE ARMY IS REPORTEDLY STAFFING A MEMO AND, WHEN THE DECISION IS MADE, THE EQUIP WILL BE SHIPPED.

3. HARDLY A WEEK GOES BY LATELY WHEN THIS DELAY IN IMPLEMENTATION IS NOT SURFACED BY LTG BIN SHAKER. WE HAVE COMPLETELY WORN OUT ALL EXCUSES WE COULD MUSTER AND ARE NOW IN THE SHRUG-SHOULDERS STATE.

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BASED ON WORDING OF ISA'S LATEST RESPONSE, WE ARE

UNEASY THAT NEXT ANNUAL JMC MEETING WILL BE HELD
WITH WPNRY STILL IN CONUS. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE
MANY OTHER UNSOLVED PROBLEMS ADDRESSED IN REF TEL,
WE FEEL THIS ONE IS LEADING THE PACK IN UNDOING THE
GOOD WILL ENGENDERED BY A SPECIAL AND MOST GENEROUS
INITIAL DECISION ON PART DEPSECDEF.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE
US ON THIS. CHIEF OF STAFF AGAIN ASKED ME
ABOUT IT JANUARY 10 ON MY RETURN FROM WASHINGTON.
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